Mixter, Frank W	Exeter
Morgan, Albert H., Jr	Berkeley
Morrison, Harry F	San Francisco
Nielsen, Roy J	Sacramento
Noyes, Fred B	Yuba City
Oliva, Charles A	San Francisco
Parkman, Harry L	
Patterson, Robert Lincoln	Taft
Onigley, Tames L.	San Francisco
Quigley, James L	San Rafael
Roberts, Frederick M	Los Angeles
Roland, Eugene W	
Scofield, Jerome V	Huntington Park
Scudder, Hubert B	
Seawell, Jerrold L	
Sewell, Harry F.	Whittier
Snyder, Bert B	Santa Cruz
Spalding, C. C	Sunnyvala
Stockwell, James E	Tos Angeles
West, Percy G	
Williams, Dan E	
Williamson, Ray	
Witter, Myron D	
Woolwine, Clare	
Wright, T. M	San Jose
Young, Forrest R	Quincy

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO *

EXCERPTS FROM OUR STATE MEDICAL JOURNAL

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From some editorial notes:

Thanks for Resolutions.—Since the February journal was issued, at least two county medical societies have met and have passed resolutions relative to the question of proper and decent advertising in medical journals. These are Alameda and San Bernardino county societies, and the journal fully appreciates the action taken by them. Every county society in the state should come out and declare itself on this question of right or wrong. Every doctor in the state should know exactly what the issue is, and should come to a decision in regard to his personal attitude in the matter. The editor is about tired of being called a "crank" because he keeps hammering away on this same question, month after month. If he is a "crank" for believing that the nostrum evil and the quack medicine business represent the most important—and, incidentally, the nastiest—issue before the medical profession of the day, he wants to know right away so that the editorial burden may depart from him quickly, and he may once more lead a quiet and a peaceful life. It is not fair to pass the responsibility for the whole thing up to the editor, and then indulge in the free and independent American's privilege—to kick. If the seductive dollar has more attractions than a right principle, just say so. . . .

Eyes, Ears, and Noses.—In this discussion of the examination of school children for defects of sight, hearing, and breathing, let us get down to the essential fact. Apparently all agree that children should be examined to determine whether they have any condition of the eyes, ear, or nose which will interfere with their growth, development, and study. . . .

About Papers.—Please read carefully the notice from the Committee on Program about the papers to be read at the meeting next month. It is highly desirable—in fact it is mandatory, under our present Constitution and By-Laws—that all papers be sent to the committee in ample time. Every county society in the state should be represented on the program by at least one paper. . . .

The United Railroads of San Francisco.—In the New York and Philadelphia medical journal of February 6. 1904, is a news item which says that the New York

Board of Health has undertaken to make a bacterioscopic study of paper money to discover if it probably may or may not be a medium for the dissemination of infectious diseases. . . . In San Francisco, where paper money does not commonly circulate, the question is not such an important one. . . .

this glee over the starting of a state society journal? Because the state society journal will reach and influence more men in its territory than all the other journals published in the world. If the organization of the state society is properly pushed, it ought to represent two-thirds of the eligible physicians in the state, at the very least. The state journal is the property of every member of the organization; it is the official record of his county and his state society meetings and transactions. . . .

From an article on "Undigested Thoughts and Comments" by James P. Booth, M. D., Los Angeles:

... The control of prostitution is agitating the morally inclined, and particularly the religionists, in many of our cities and towns. In Los Angeles the latter have made a most vigorous crusade, marching in bodies to the abodes of the demimonde, and with promises of homes, and words and sweet songs of consolation and advice, have endeavored to persuade the fallen ones to forsake their evil ways and embrace a life of religious purity. The appeal was ineffectual...

From reports of county medical societies:

Alameda County.—The Alameda County Medical Association met Tuesday evening, February 9, Doctor Hamlin presiding. Dr. J. F. Rinehart read the first paper, in which he related the following very interesting and remarkable history of a case of hydatid cyst that had come under his notice. . . :

Humboldt County.—The regular meeting of the Humboldt County Medical Society was held in Eureka, Tuesday evening, February 9, Doctor Felt presiding. The Dental Society of Humboldt County requested that the medical society appoint a committee to meet with a similar committee from the dental society for the purpose of considering matters pertaining to the welfare of both professions in the county. . . .

Sacramento County.—The Sacramento Society for Medical Improvement met in regular session at the office of Doctor McKee on January 26. . . . A communication was received from Doctor Moffitt of San Francisco accepting the invitation of the Sacramento society to read a paper at the annual meeting, and announcing his subject to be "Some Unusual Forms of Exophthalmic Goiter—The Recognition and Treatment." . . . A communication was received from Doctor Kenyon asking aid for the Board of Examiners in defense of suits. A motion was made and carried that the Sacramento society give \$50. . . .

San Francisco County.—(Special meeting, February 2, 1904.) Doctor Simon Baruch of New York (by special invitation) read a paper, "The Rôle of Hydrotherapy in Infectious Fevers." . . . Dr. Philip Mills Jones, editor of the state journal, announced that the publication office of the state society was about to be changed from its present location, and suggested that an arrangement might be entered into by which the county library could have the benefit of the files of the various medical publications coming to the office, in case suitable quarters could be offered for the use of the publication office. . . . Scientific Program. Dr. A. Barkan read a paper on "Professor Killian's Radical Operation for Chronic Empyema of Both Frontal Sinuses," with presentation of a case. The subject brought out discussion participated in by Doctors Pischel, Arnold, Cohn, Nagel, Grosse, and Shiels. . . .

Los Angeles Medical Journal.—No. 1 of Vol. 1 has been received. This new monthly is published by a number of physicians of the southern city, under the editorial management of Dr. E. S. Pillsbury, and is announced to be the official organ of the Los Angeles Academy of Medicine.

^{*}This column aims to mirror the work and aims of colleagues who bore the brunt of state society work some twenty-five years ago. It is hoped that such presentation will be of interest to both old and recent members.